

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: Chair Forrest Mandeville, on March 10, 2017 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 455 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Forrest Mandeville, Chair (R)
Rep. Bryce Bennett, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Wendy McKamey, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Jacob Bachmeier (D)
Rep. Geraldine Custer (R)
Rep. John Fleming (D)
Rep. Frank Garner (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Jessica Karjala (D)
Rep. Jean Price (D)
Rep. Walt Sales (R)
Rep. Ray L. Shaw (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Scott Staffanson (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Susan Webber (D)

Members Excused:

Rep. Hayman (D)
Rep. A. Knudsen (R)
Rep. Lenz (R)
Rep. Webb (R)

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Joanne Kauzlarich, Committee Secretary
Sheri Scurr, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 121, 2/28/2017; SB 143, 2/28/2017

Reemployment of TRS Retirees Report

00:02:16 Shawn Graham, Teachers' Retirement System, TRS
[EXHIBIT\(sth50a01\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

HEARING ON SB 121

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:08:03 Sen. Edward Buttrey (R), SD 11, opened the hearing on SB 121, Provide that volunteer positions are not reportable to TRS.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:10:20 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

00:11:32 Shawn Graham, Teachers' Retirement System (TRS)
[EXHIBIT\(sth50a02\)](#)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:40 Rep. Custer
00:15:06 Sen. Buttrey
00:15:31 Rep. Sales
00:15:55 Sen. Buttrey
00:16:30 Shawn Graham, TRS
00:17:27 Rep. Staffanson
00:17:55 Sen. Buttrey
00:19:38 Rep. Karjala
00:19:52 Sen. Buttrey

Closing by Sponsor:

00:20:27 Sen. Buttrey

HEARING ON SB 143

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:22:07 Sen. Mike Lang (R), SD 17, opened the hearing on SB 143, Revise retiree return to work provisions in the teachers' retirement system.

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a03\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:27:14 Bob Vogel, Montana School Board Association (MSBA)
[EXHIBIT\(sth50a04\)](#)

00:34:38 Dennis Parman, Montana Rural Education Association (MREA)

Opponents' Testimony:

00:45:00 Shawn Graham, Teachers' Retirement Systems (TRS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a05\)](#)

00:57:46 Scott Dubbs, Teachers' Retirement Systems (TRS)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a06\)](#)

01:07:48 Diane Fladmo, Montana Education Association- Montana Federation of Teachers
(MEA-MFT)

[EXHIBIT\(sth50a07\)](#)

01:21:02 Marilyn Hamer, American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)

01:21:42 Charlene Suckow, Montana Retired Educators Association (MREA)

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:22:48 Rep. Bachmeier
01:29:49 Dennis Parman, MREA
01:31:34 Rep. Shaw
01:32:05 Diane Fladmo, MEA-MFT
01:32:29 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:35:54 Rep. McKamey
01:36:41 Sen. Lang
01:38:30 Rep. Sales
01:41:11 Diane Fladmo, MEA-MFT
01:42:21 Rep. Custer
01:45:01 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:45:28 Rep. Custer
01:45:35 Dennis Parman, MREA
01:47:22 Rep. Custer
01:47:48 Dennis Parman, MREA
01:48:38 Rep. Swanson
01:49:48 Shawn Graham, TRS
01:53:06 Rep. Shaw
01:54:40 Sen Lang
01:56:27 Rep. Karjala
01:57:08 Sen. Lang
01:58:31 Sheri Scurr, Legislative Services Division, (LSD)
01:58:59 Chair Mandeville
01:59:08 Rep. Custer
01:59:55 Bob Vogel, MSBA
02:02:47 Rep. Webb
02:03:27 Bob Vogel, MSBA
02:04:30 Rep. Price
02:05:27 Bob Vogel, MSBA

Closing by Sponsor:

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| 02:08:35 | Sen. Lang |
| 02:08:51 | Chair Mandeville |
| 02:09:10 | Sen. Lang |

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:08:01

Joanne Kauzlarich, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([sth50aad.pdf](#))